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SUBJ: REQUIREMENT FOR NEW CHANCERY DRIVEWAY

1. DURING THE PAST 18 MONTHS THERE HAS BEEN A HIGH INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF VEHICLES USING PARIS CADDESI (THE STREET THAT PASSES THE CHANCERY BUILDING ON THE NORTH AND WEST SIDES) WHICH THEN INTERSECTS WITH ATATURK BOULEVARD, THE MAIN NORTH-SOUTH ARTERY THAT CONNECTS THE SOUTHERN RESIDENTIAL SECTIONS AND THE BUSINESS AREA OF ANKARA. TRAFFIC ON PARIS CADDESI BECOMES HEAVILY CONGESTED BECAUSE THE VEHICLES ARE OBLIGED TO WAIT AT THE INTERSECTION OF ATATURK BLVD AND PARIS CADDESI FOR TRAFFIC LIGHTS WHICH ARE TIMED FOR LONGER PERIODS TO MOVE THE VEHICLES USING ATATURK BOULEVARD IN THE NORTH-SOUTH DIRECTION. CONSEQUENTLY, THE ONLY EXIT-ENTRANCE TO THE CHANCERY PARKING AREA, WHICH IS LOCATED ON PARIS CADDESI, IS BLOCKED FOR INDEFINITE PERIODS DURING THE PEAK RUSH HOURS, E.G., 8 AM TO TO 10 AM AND FROM 4 PM TO 6 PM. NO IMPROVEMENT IN THE TRAFFIC MOVEMENT CAN BE FORESEEN IN THE FUTURE. BECAUSE OF THE PRESENT SECURITY SITUATION AND TERRORIST THREAT POTENTIAL EXISITING IN ANKAR, A VEHICLE AND PERSONNEL TRAPPED AT THIS BOTTLENECK ARE HIGHLY VULNERABLE TARGETS FOR SHOOTING AND/OR BOMBING ATTACKS.

2. TO ELIMINATE THE EXISTING BOTTLENECK AT THE ONE EXIT-ENTRANCE AND ITS ATTENDANT SECURITY HAZARDS, WE RECOMMEND THAT THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE ADDITIONAL EXITS AND

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ENTRY POINTS BE APPROVED IMMEDIATELY:

A. CONVERT A PORTION OF THE PRESENT GREEN AREA NEXT TO THE PROPERTY LINE AT THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE CHANCERY BUILDING INTO A DRIVEWAY THAT WOULD CONNECT WITH AN ENTRANCE-EXIT THAT WOULD BE OPENED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY LINE INTO ATATURK BLVD. ON THE WEST SIDE, THE DRIVEWAY WOULD CONNECT WITH THE PRESENT MOTOR POOL PARKING AND WAREHOUSE AREA WHICH ALREADY HAS AN ACCESS TO PARIS CADDESİ. THIS DRIVEWAY WOULD BE CONNECTED TO THE PRESENT CHANCERY PARKING LOT BY CONSTRUCTING AN ACCESS LANE FORMING A "T". ESTIMATED COSTS FOR EXCAVATION, SUB-BASE STABILIZING MATERIALS, BASE MATERIALS TOPPED WITH 15 CMS OF CONCRETE, CURB STONE ALONG BOTH SIDES OF THE DRIVE AND CONSTRUCTION OF A STONE GUARD HOUSE AT THE ATATURK BLVD GATE (2-1/2 METERS BY 5 METERS BY 2-1/2 METERS) WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY 300,000 TURKISH LIRA WHICH IS EQUIVALENT TO \$20,000.

B. REGRADING AND SURFACING ENTIRE MOTOR POOL/WAREHOUSE PARKING AREA. AT THE PRESENT TIME, THE MAIN MOTOR POOL AREA IS SURFACED WITH LOOSE GRAVEL WHICH WASHES AWAY CLOGGING DRAINS. IN FRONT OF THE REPAIR BAYS, THE CONCRETE SLABS HAVE STEEP GRADES WHICH CAUSE THE COM AND OTHER HEAVY PASSENGER VEHICLES TO SCRAPE THEIR UNDERCARRIAGES WHEN MOVING IN OR OUT OF THE GARAGES. THE REQUIRED REPAIRS TO THE MOTOR POOL NORMALLY WOULD HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED AS A FUTURE MINOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. HOWEVER, THE POST IS INCLUDING THIS WORK HERE SO THAT FUNDS CAN BE ALLOTTED NOW SO ALL WORK ON THIS DRIVEWAY PROJECT CAN BE COMPLETED AT ONE TIME. SAVINGS WILL BE REALIZED AS IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO BRING UP THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT (GRADER, MIXER, ETC.) FOR ONLY ONE TIME RATHER THAN SCHEDULE THEM SEPARATELY. ESTIMATED COSTS FOR EXCAVATION, GRADING, SUB-BASE STABILIZING MATERIAL TOPPED WITH 15 CM OF CONCRETE AND CURB STONE IS ROUGHLY 300,000 TL OR \$20,000.

4. ABOVE COSTS ARE BASED ON BIDS SUBMITTED BY TWO COMPANIES. THE FIRM WHICH BID ON BOTH PROJECTS, AND IS CONSIDERED TO BE A HIGHLY REPUTABLE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, IS PREPARED TO UNDERTAKE THIS WORK PROMPTLY UPON NOTIFICATION. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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5. ESTIMATED TIME REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE WORK WOULD BE THREE TO FOUR WEEKS, DEPENDING ON WHETHER BOTH PROJECTS ARE UNDERTAKEN. AS SPRING AND SUMMER ARE PEAK CONSTRUCTION TIME IN ANKARA, WE SHOULD BE GIVEN AUTHORITY TO HIRE A CONTRACTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT THE FIRM SELECTED CAN SCHEDULE THE WORK AND OBTAIN THE NECESSARY MATERIALS.

WITH ADDITIONAL PRICE INCREASES ANTICIPATED DURING THE
COMING MONTHS, IT WOULD BE PRUDENT TO START AS EARLY AS
POSSIBLE.

6. DEPARTMENT'S TELEGRAPHIC APPROVAL IS REQUESTED.
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